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**Local Jurisdictions** (Listed from South to North)**Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG)**

1401 19th St, Suite 300  
Bakersfield, CA 93301  
(661) 861-2191

**Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG)**

1400 W Lacey Blvd  
Hanford, CA 93230  
(559) 582-3211

**Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG)**

Resource Management Agency  
5961 South Mooney Boulevard  
Visalia, CA 93227  
(559) 733-6291

**Council of Fresno County Governments (COFCG)**

2035 Tulare St., Suite 201  
Fresno, CA 93721  
(559) 233-4148

**Air Quality District:****San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District**

1990 E Gettysburg Ave  
Fresno, CA 93726  
(559) 230-6000

**Air Basin:** San Joaquin Valley**Air Basin Determination:**

Severe non-attainment for ozone and serious for PM<sup>10</sup>. Contact the Air District for more information.

**Transit Services:** (Listed from South to North)**Kern Regional Transit**

2700 "M" Street, Suite 400  
Bakersfield, CA 93301  
(661) 862-8613

**Golden Empire Transit (GET)**

1830 Golden State Avenue  
Bakersfield, CA 93301  
(661) 324-9874

**Tulare County Transit**

5961 S Mooney Boulevard  
Visalia, CA 93227  
(559) 733-6291

**Kings County Area Public Transit Agency (KCAPTA)**

1400 West Lacey Boulevard  
Hanford, CA 93230  
(559) 582-3211

**Corcoran Area Transit (CAT)**

1033 Chittenden Avenue  
Corcoran, CA 93212  
(559) 992-2151

**Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA)**

2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201  
Fresno, CA 93721  
(559) 233-6789

**Traffic Accident Data:**

Caltrans District 6  
Office of Traffic Investigations  
(559) 488-4123

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Traffic Congestion Relief Program, 2000  
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Road System Plan (ITSP), 1998, 2000  
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Plan (Kern Region), 1997  
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City of Shafter 2005 General Plan - Part 3 -  
Transportation Program  
City of Shafter 2005 General Plan - E.I.R.  
City of Wasco 2002 General Plan Draft E.I.R.

**Tulare County:**

Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) 2004/05, TCAG  
Tulare County General Plan, 2000  
TCAG Countywide Bicycle Transportation Plan,  
May, 2002

**Kings County:**

Kings County 2004 Regional Transportation  
Plan  
Kings County Association of Governments  
(KCAG) - "2005 Kings County Regional Bicycle  
Plan"

**Fresno County:**

Fresno County - 2000 Fresno County General  
Plan, Transportation & Circulation Element -  
Rural Bikeway Plan (Figure TR-2)  
Council of Fresno County Governments  
(COFCG) - Regional Transportation Plan  
(RTP) 2004

**AADT:** (Average Annual Daily Traffic). This designation indicates the total daily traffic that is counted at a particular location or within a particular highway segment and then averaged out over one calendar year.

**Access Control (or Controlled Access):** The condition where the ability to access a state highway by owners or occupants of abutting land is fully or partially controlled by public authority. Also, see Classification of Roads.

**Bicycle Facilities:** Bicycle facilities within the state are classified into four categories:

- **Class 1 Bikeways (Bike Paths):** Bike Paths are separate *off-highway* facilities for the exclusive use of bicyclists and with cross flow by motor vehicles minimized.
- **Class 2 Bikeways (Bike Lanes):** Bike Lanes are for preferential use by bicyclists and can be established within the paved area of state highways. Such facilities are approved by, and subsequently maintained by, local jurisdictions and/or Caltrans. Bike lanes are separated from traffic lanes on California highways by the use of a painted 6" stripe on the pavement and are designated as bike lanes by the use of white R81 (Bike Lane), R-81A (Begin) and R81-B (End) "regulatory" signs. (MUTCD Chapter 9 - California Supplement - 2003).
- **Class 3 Bikeways (Bike Routes):** Bike Route are shared facilities which serve either to (a) provide continuity to other bike facilities (usually a Class 1 or Class 2 bikeway); or (b) to designate a preferred route through a high demand corridor. Such facilities are approved by, and subsequently maintained by, local jurisdictions and/or Caltrans. Bike Routes are not separated from traffic lanes but are designated as bike routes through the use of green D11-1 (Bike Route), M4-11 (Begin) and M4-12 (End) "guide" signs. (MUTCD - Chapter 9 - 2003).
- **Shared Roadway (No Bikeway Designation):** Most bicycle travel on conventional state highways and local streets occurs on facilities without any bikeway designations, signs or striping. Virtually all highways in use by bicyclists for inter-city and recreational travel fall under this "share-the-road" scenario.

**CMS:** (Changeable Message Sign). A CMS is a full-matrix display sign used on State highways to provide motorists with an advanced warning of major highway incidents and route diversion information. CMSs are capable of displaying a variety of character heights and up to three lines of text. CMSs play increasingly important roles on State highways by improving operations and safety.

**Classification of Roads:**

- **Conventional (C):** A highway without access control, which may or may not be divided. Grade separations at intersections or access control may be used when justified at spot locations. Example: 2C = 2 lane conventional highway.
- **Expressway (E):** An arterial highway with at least partial control of access, which may or may not be divided or have grade separations at intersections. Example: 4E = 4 lane expressway (note: 2 lane expressways are not common).
- **Freeway (F):** A highway to which the owners of abutting lands have no right or easement of access to or from their abutting lands. Access is controlled or restricted to interchanges and with grade separation at all intersections. Example: 6F = 6 lane freeway.
- **Functional Classification:** Guided by Federal legislation, functional classification refers to a process by which streets and highways are grouped into classes or systems, according to the character of the service that is provided, e.g., Principal Arterial, Minor Arterial, Collector, Local, etc.

**Contract Phasing:**

- **Begin Construction:** This is the phase when the contract for construction is approved and construction begins.
- **Complete Construction:** This is the phase when the completion of the construction contract occurs.

**COG:** See RTPA

**CTC:** (California Transportation Commission). The California Transportation Commission (CTC) was established in 1978 by Assembly Bill 402 (Chapter 1106, Statutes of 1977) out of a growing concern for a single, unified California transportation policy. The Commission is responsible for the programming and allocating of funds for the construction of highway, passenger rail and transit improvements throughout California. The Commission also advises and assists the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing Agency and the Legislature in formulating and evaluating state policies and plans for California's transportation programs. The Commission is also an active participant in the initiation and development of State and Federal legislation that seeks to secure financial stability for the State's transportation needs.

**Density:** The number of vehicles occupying a given length of lane or roadway averaged over time, usually expressed as vehicles per mile or vehicles per mile per lane. Also see **V/C**.

**Facility:**

- **Concept Facility:** A highway facility type and characteristic considered viable without improvement within the 25 year planning period given financial, environmental, planning and engineering factors.
- **Present Facility:** Highway type and general characteristics in place at the time of the development of a TCR.

**FTIP:** See Project Programming

**ICES:** (Intermodal Corridor of Economic Significance). Significant National Highway System Corridors that link intermodal facilities most directly, conveniently and efficiently to intrastate, interstate, and international markets.

**ITMS:** (Intermodal Transportation Management System). A performance-based decision support system operating on a personal computer which allows "alternatives analysis" through the use of performance measures. ITMS incorporates intermodal system elements for freight and person movements using a spatial and attribute database thereby allowing management of transportation systems under existing and forecasted conditions. ITMS provides a new intermodal-planning tool using a common statewide data set for state and local transportation planners.

**ITS:** (Intelligent Transportation Systems). ITS refers to a wide variety of tools and techniques that focus on addressing transportation problems by improving the efficiency and safety of the existing transportation infrastructure. ITS works through the integration of high tech computing and information sharing.

**ITSP:** (Interregional Transportation Strategic Plan). The ITSP is a single document prepared by Caltrans to consolidate and communicate key elements of its ongoing long and short range planning. The ITSP serves as a counterpart to the Regional Transportation Plans (RTPs) prepared by the 43 Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs) in California.

**KP:** (Kilo Post) See Post Mile

**Lifeline Routes:** See Route Designations

**LOS:** (Level of Service). Level of Service describes operating conditions a typical driver will experience on a typical day while driving on a particular facility. Like a report card, the LOS is defined in categories ranging from A-F. "A" represents the best traffic flow (low **v/c** ratio and delay, no impediments) through "F" representing the worse congestion (extremely high **v/c** ratio and delay, gridlock conditions).

**MIS:** (Major Investment Study). When the need for a major metropolitan transportation investment is identified and Federal funds are potentially involved, a major investment (corridor or sub-area) study is undertaken to develop or refine the plan. Upon completion, the MIS aids the area's Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), in cooperation with any participating agencies, on the design concept and scope of the investment.

**MPO:** See RTPA

**Multi-Modal:** Pertaining to the use of more than one mode of travel such as private vehicles, taxis, bicycles, mass-transit, para-transit, light and heavy rail, ferries, airplanes etc.

**NHS:** See Route Designation

**NTN:** See Route Designation

**Non-attainment (pertaining to air quality):** Identifies non-attainment status for CO (carbon monoxide), Ozone, and PM (particulate matter) within the subject air basin.

**Overcrossing:** (O/C) See Structures, Types of

**PM:** (MilePost Marker, Postmile or KP (Kilo Post)). An 8" x 48" metal post marker along a State highway indicating a location using the postmile or designation. This is the distance in miles (or kilometers, in the case of Kilo Post measurements) that the given location is from the county line measuring from the south to the north or from the west to the east. Postmiles ascend in the northerly and easterly directions as determined by the route. The PM marker also includes an abbreviation for the County wherein its located (i.e., in Caltrans District 6: FRE = Fresno, KER = Kern, KIN = Kings, TUL = Tulare, MAD = Madera). As such, a PM marker located along SR 99 and displaying "MAD" and "6.25" would indicate that you are currently located in Madera County at a point 6.25 miles north of the Fresno/Madera County Line.

**PROJECT PROGRAMMING:** Separate programming documents prepared and adopted for somewhat different purposes, are required under State and Federal law. Transportation programming is the public decision making process that sets priorities and funds projects envisioned in long range transportation plans. It commits expected revenues over a multi-year period to transportation projects. Programming schedules high priority capital outlay projects for development and implementation. Programming documents include Federal, State, Regional and Metropolitan Transportation Plans, e.g., FTIP, ITIP, RTIP, SHOPP, STIP.

- **FTIP:** (Federal Transportation Improvement Program). To apply for federal highway funding a Federal statute requires MPOs to complete a Transportation Improvement Program. The MPO prepares the FTIP in cooperation with its member agencies (cities), its transit operators, State and Federal agencies, and with public involvement. The FTIP must by law be financially constrained and include a financial plan that demonstrates how projects can be implemented while the existing transportation system is being adequately operated and maintained. The FTIPs are in actuality a listing of planned Federally funded capital improvements to the regions' transit systems along with associated Federal operating assistance program and Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP).
- **ITIP:** (Interregional Transportation Improvement Program). The ITIP is Caltrans' equivalent to the RTIP (Regional Transportation Improvement Program) and consists of STIP projects funded from the Interregional Program share, which is 25% of new STIP funding. Caltrans' ITIP may nominate projects to the STIP only for the Interregional Program. The ITIP should be based on a Strategic Plan for implementing the Interregional Program. The ITIP should describe how proposed projects relate to the Strategic Plan and how the Strategic Plan would implement the California Transportation Commission's objectives. The ITIP includes both State highway and rail projects (potentially including mass transit guideway and grade separation projects).

- **PSR:** (Project Study Report). A pre-programming document required for project inclusion in the STIP.
- **PSSR:** (Project Scope Summary Report). An engineering report used to select candidate projects to be programmed in the State Highway Operation Protection Program (SHOPP). SHOPP funds are used primarily for rehabilitation, resurfacing and safety projects on State highways.
- **RTIP:** (Regional Transportation Improvement Program). After consulting with Caltrans, each Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) and/or County Transportation Commission (CTC) must prepare and submit an RTIP for regions with urbanized areas. Some urbanized RTPAs coincide with the Federal Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs). Each regional agency is required to adopt and submit its RTIP to the CTC and to Caltrans. The CTC will utilize the RTIP to consider projects to be included in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The funds are available for a broad array of transportation improvement projects, including improving State highways, local roads, public transit, inter-city rail, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, grade separations, transportation system management, transportation demand management, soundwalls, etc.
- **SAFETEA-LU:** Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: On August 10, 2005, the President signed into law the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). With guaranteed funding for highways, highway safety, and public transportation totaling \$244.1 billion, SAFETEA-LU represents the largest surface transportation investment in our Nation's history. The two landmark bills that brought surface transportation into the 21<sup>st</sup> century—the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) and the Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (TEA-21)—shaped the highway program to meet the Nation's changing transportation needs. SAFETEA-LU builds on this firm foundation, supplying the funds and refining the programmatic framework for investments needed to maintain and grow our vital transportation infrastructure.
- **SHOPP:** (State Highway Operation Protection Program). The SHOPP is a four-year program limited to projects related to State highway safety and rehabilitation. SHOPP funds are for major transportation capital improvements that are necessary to preserve and protect the State highway system. The SHOPP does not include projects that increase capacity. Most of the projects are for pavement rehabilitation, bridge rehabilitation, and traffic safety improvements. Other projects may include such things as operational improvements (e.g., traffic signalization) and roadside rest areas. Caltrans alone has full control of SHOPP funds.
- **STIP:** (State Transportation Improvement Program). Under California law, the STIP and SHOPP (State Highway Operations Protection Program) are the two primary documents through which the CTC commits and allocates funds to particular projects. In the year 2000 and thereafter, the STIP will be a four year plan with updates every two years. The STIP is a capital improvement program of transportation projects funded with revenues from the State Highway Account and other sources on and off the State highway system. The STIP includes a list of transportation projects, proposed in two broad programs, the regional program funded with 75% of new STIP funding and the interregional program funded from 25%. The STIP has two main funding components: the RIP (Regional Improvement Program), prepared by RTPAs and the IIP (Interregional Improvement Program) prepared by Caltrans.

**ROW:** (Right-of-Way). Denotes the *total*/width allocated for a highway, including shoulders and adjacent land.

**RCR:** See TCR

**Route:** The California Legislature establishes the framework for the State Highway System by describing each state roadway in the Streets and Highway Code. This description establishes the official beginning and ending points of a state highway and in some cases intermediate control points.

**Route Adoptions:** Route Adoptions are needed for the following reasons: (1) any new alignment of an existing legislative route, (2) to establish the location of an unconstructed route, (3) to allow for the conversion of any conventional highway to a freeway or other form of controlled access route, (4) designating a traversable highway and (5) for any temporary alignments along an established state route. Route adoptions are approved by the CTC prior to submission to the FHWA for final approval.

**Route Designations:** Identifies whether or not the subject segment of a route is designated as being part of a system. Examples of systems include Freeway/Expressway System, Highways of Regional Significance, Interregional Highway System (IRRS), National Highway System (NHS), National Truck Network (NTN), and Terminal Access Route for the National Truck Network, Scenic Highway, or Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET).

- **Freeway/Expressway System:** The Statewide system of highways declared by the Legislature to be essential to the future development of California. The F&E System has been constructed with a large investment of funds for the ability of control access, in order to ensure the safety and operational integrity of the highways.
- **IRRS:** (Interregional Road System) Caltrans developed an Interregional Road System Plan that identified projects which will provide the most adequate interregional road system to all economic centers in the State. IRRS is a series of Interregional State highway routes, outside the urbanized areas, that provide access to, and links between, the State's economic centers, major recreational areas, and urban and rural regions. Due to the high number of routes and capacity improvements needed on the IRRS, the most critical IRRS routes were identified as *High Emphasis Routes*. High Emphasis Routes are a priority for programming and construction and are critically important to interregional travel and the State as a whole. *Focus Routes* are a subset of the High Emphasis Routes. These routes represent 10 IRRS corridors that should be of the highest priority for completion to minimum facility standard in the 20 year period.
- **Lifeline Routes:** (Earthquake Emergency Response) A Lifeline Route is a route on the State highway system that is deemed so critical to emergency response/life-saving activities of a region or the state that it must remain open immediately following a major earthquake, or for which pre-planning for detour and/or expeditious repair and reopening can guarantee through-movement. The focus is on highly critical routes that allow for the immediate movement of emergency equipment and supplies into a region or through a region.
- **NHS:** (National Highway System) The purpose of the NHS is to provide an interconnected system of principal arterial routes which will serve major population centers, international border crossings, ports, airports, public transportation facilities and other intermodal transportation facilities. Additionally, such highways meet National defense requirements and serve to facilitate interstate and interregional travel. The NHS consists of 155,000 miles, (plus or minus 15 percent), of the major roads in the U.S. Included in the NHS are all interstate routes, a large percentage of urban and rural principal arterial, the defense strategic highway network, and strategic highway connectors.



- **NTN:** (National Truck Network) A list of truck route segments and their truck access designations (such as National Network (NN), Terminal Access, California Legal, Advisory, or Restricted) with each segment's beginning and ending post miles, and beginning and ending cross streets.
- **Regionally Significant:** A transportation corridor that serves regional transportation needs and would normally be included in the modeling of a metropolitan area's transportation network. Such corridors, at minimum, would include all principal arterial highways and all fixed guideway transit facilities located within the region.
- **Scenic Highway:** A highway may be designated scenic depending upon how much of the natural landscape can be seen by travelers, the scenic quality of the landscape, and the extent to which development intrudes upon the traveler's enjoyment of the view. The State Scenic Highway System includes a list of highways that are either eligible for designation as scenic highways or have been so designated. These highways are identified in Section 263 of the Streets and Highways Code. For a highway to be considered *Officially Designated* the local jurisdiction is required to develop and adopt protection measures in the form of ordinances to apply to the area of land within the scenic corridor. Additions and deletions to the list of highways eligible for scenic designation can only be made through legislative action.
- **STAA Truck:** In 1982, the Federal government passed the Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA). This act requires states to allow certain longer trucks on a network of Federal highways, referred to as the National Network (NN). A STAA truck is, in many cases, longer than a "California legal" truck, and may operate only on specific highways in California.
- **STRAHNET:** (Strategic Highway Corridor Network) STRAHNET is a National system of public highways that are key elements in U.S. strategic policy. This network provides defense access, continuity, and emergency capabilities for movements of personnel and equipment during both peace time and war. STRAHNET is comprised of about 61,000 miles of highway, including the 45,400-mile system of Interstate and Defense Highways and 15,600 miles of other important public highways. STRAHNET "connectors" (about 1,700 miles) are additional highway routes linking over 200 important military installations and ports to the STRAHNET. Generally, these "connector" routes end at the port boundary or installation gate and are typically used only when moving personnel and equipment during a mobilization or deployment
- **Terminal Access Route:** Terminal Access (TA) routes are portions of State or local highways that Caltrans or a local government granted access to STAA trucks. The purpose of TA routes is to allow STAA trucks (1) to travel between NN routes, (2) to reach a truck's operating facility, or (3) to reach a facility where freight originates, terminates, or is handled in the transportation process.

**Route Numbering:** South-north state and interstate routes normally carry odd number designations (e.g. I-5, SR 43, SR 99 etc.) while west-east routes normally carry even number designations (e.g. I-10, SR 58, SR 168 etc.).

**RTIP:** See Project Programming

**RTP:** (Regional Transportation Plan) The RTP is a comprehensive 20 year plan for the region, updated every four years by the regional transportation planning agency (RTPA). The RTP includes goals, objectives, and policies and recommends specific transportation improvements.

**RTPA:** (Regional Transportation Planning Agency) The RTPA is an association of city and county governments created to address regional transportation issues while protecting the integrity and autonomy of each jurisdiction. The RTPA serves as the forum for cooperative decision making by principal elected officials of general local government and is responsible for

the preparation and adoption of a Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP). There are 43 RTPAs in California. In smaller counties, usually the County Transportation Commission; in urban counties, usually the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the RTPA. RTPAs produce the RTIPs for the approval of the California Transportation Commission (CTC).

- **MPOs and COGs:** RTPAs can be an MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) or a COG (Council of Governments) or all three. Some COGs also serve as MPOs, under Federal transportation rules, and this designation carries considerable power in allocating Federal and State funds for transportation projects. For example, Fresno COG is the MPO for Fresno County.

According to U.S. Code, an MPO is the organization designated by the governor and local elected officials as responsible, together with the State, for preparing a comprehensive transportation plan for both highway and transit modes, with long range (10 – 20 years) and shorter range (five year) elements in an urbanized area (population 50,000 or greater). The major role of the MPO is to foster inter-governmental communications and cooperation, undertake comprehensive regional planning with an emphasis on transportation, provide for citizen involvement in the planning process and provide technical services to the member agencies. MPOs are created by elected officials of counties and their incorporated cities as a means of providing a cooperative body for the discussion and resolution of issues that go beyond their individual boundaries.

State and Federal laws encourage such efforts. In each of these areas, MPOs act as a consensus-builder to develop an acceptable approach on how to handle problems that do not recognize jurisdictional boundaries.

**R/U:** (Rural *or* Urban location) Areas designated as rural are those lying outside the U.S. Census urban area boundary with a population less than 2,500 (less than 5,000 population for Federal Aid highway purposes). Areas designated as urban are those lying inside the U.S. Census urbanized boundary.

**Scenic Highway:** See Route Designation

**Separation:** See Structures, Types of

**SHOPP:** See Project Programming

**SR:** (State Route) Highways within the State which are distinctively designed to serve intrastate and interstate travel.

**STAA:** See Route Designation

**STIP:** See Project Programming

**STRAHNET:** See Route Designation

#### **STRUCTURES, Types of**

- **Overcrossing:** (O/C) A configuration where the State highway crosses below the grade of a local road.
- **Separation:** (Sep) A configuration where a State highway crosses over a State highway.
- **Undercrossing:** (U/C) A configuration where a State highway crosses above the grade of a local road.
- **Underpass:** A configuration where the State highway crosses below the grade of a railroad line.

**TCR:** (Transportation Concept Report) Formerly called a Route Concept Report or RCR, this document analyzes a transportation corridor service area, establishes a 20 year transportation planning concept, and identifies modal transportation options and applications needed to achieve the 20 year concepts.

**TCRP:** (Traffic Congestion Relief Program) The TCRP was enacted as part of AB 2928 (2000). Through the TCRP, the Governor and Legislature allocated \$4.9 billion for projects to relieve congestion, provide safe and efficient movement of goods, improve intermodal connectivity, and make further investments in transit and rail facilities within the State.

**Undercrossing:** See Structures, Types of

**Underpass:** See Structures, Types of

**UTC:** (Ultimate Transportation Corridor) Highest predictable build-out beyond 20 years.

**V/C:** (Volume/Capacity ratio) A ratio of demand flow rate (volume) to capacity for a traffic facility. Also see Density.

## INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS (ITS)

### Changeable Message Signs (CMS) / Weather Stations (WS) / Highway Call Boxes (HCB)/ Future 511 Traveler Information System

#### Changeable Message Sign (CMS)

Existing and Proposed  
Status - November 2005

| EXISTING CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGNS |        |           |           |            |               |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|
| Element Type                      | County | Direction | Post Mile | Location   | Status        |
| CMS                               | KER    | SB 43     | 3.70      | E OF RTE 5 | Existing      |
| PROPOSED CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGNS |        |           |           |            |               |
| Element Type                      | County | Direction | Post Mile | Location   | Status        |
| CMS                               | All    |           |           |            | None Proposed |

#### Weather Stations (WS)

Existing and Proposed  
Status - November 2005

| EXISTING WEATHER STATIONS |           |           |           |                       |               |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Element Type              | County    | Direction | Post Mile | Location              | Status        |
| WS                        | Kings     | N/A       | 1.47      | At RTE 137 (Corcoran) | Existing      |
| WS                        | All Other |           |           |                       | None Existing |
| PROPOSED WEATHER STATIONS |           |           |           |                       |               |
| Element Type              | County    | Direction | Post Mile | Location              | Status        |
| WS                        | All       |           |           |                       | None Proposed |

#### Highway Call Boxes (HCB) \*

Existing and Proposed  
Status - November 2005

| EXISTING CALL BOXES |        |           |           |                         |          |
|---------------------|--------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|----------|
| Element Type & #    | County | Direction | Post Mile | Location                | Status   |
| CB - 43 - 0012      | KER    | N/A       | 1.20      | S of I-5                | Existing |
| CB - 43 - 0033      | KER    | N/A       | 3.00      | 1 Mi N of Panama Ln     | Existing |
| CB - 43 - 0053      | KER    | N/A       | 5.00      | 1 Mi S of Stockdale Hwy | Existing |
| CB - 43 - 0072      | KER    | N/A       | 7.18      | N of Brimhall Rd.       | Existing |
| CB - 43 - 0112      | KER    | N/A       | 11.20     | N of Snow Rd.           | Existing |
| CB - 43 - 0126      | KER    | N/A       | 13.40     | S of San Diego St.      | Existing |
| CB - 43 - 0154      | KER    | N/A       | 15.35     | N of Riverside Ave.     | Existing |
| CB - 43 - 0202      | KER    | N/B       | 20.25     | 1 Mi S of Dresser Rd.   | Existing |
| CB - 43 - 0203      | KER    | S/B       | 20.25     | 1 Mi S of Dresser Rd.   | Existing |
| CB - 43 - 0222      | KER    | N/B       | 22.25     | N of Kimberlina Rd.     | Existing |

| CB - 43 - 0223             | KER    | S/B   | 22.25     | N of Kimberlina Rd.        | Existing      |
|----------------------------|--------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|---------------|
| CB - 43 - 0265             | KER    | N/A   | 26.25     | N of McCombs Ave.          | Existing      |
| CB - 43 - 0284             | KER    | N/A   | 28.50     | N of Whistler Rd.          | Existing      |
| CB - 43 - 0305             | KER    | N/A   | 30.40     | At Sherwood Ave.           | Existing      |
| CB - 43 - 0324             | KER    | N/A   | 32.40     | N of Peterson Rd.          | Existing      |
| CB - 43 - 0346             | KER    | N/A   | 34.40     | N of Schuster Rd.          | Existing      |
| CB - 43 - 0367             | KER    | N/A   | 36.50     | N of Garces Hwy.           | Existing      |
| CB - 43 - 0383             | KER    | N/A   | 37.80     | 1 Mi S of Tul/Kern Co Line | Existing      |
| <b>PROPOSED CALL BOXES</b> |        |       |           |                            |               |
| Element Type               | County | Route | Post Mile | Location                   | Status        |
| CB                         | All    |       |           |                            | None Proposed |

\* Kern County call boxes are managed by the Kern Motorist Aid Authority. For more information call (661) 861-2191 or visit <http://kerncog.org/projectbrief-kmaa.php>.

### **511 Traveler Information System**

On July 21, 2000, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) designated 511 as the single travel information telephone number to be made available to states and local jurisdictions across the country. 511 provides information about travel conditions, allowing travelers to make better choices: choice of time, choice of route and choice of mode of transportation. It can also be expanded to provide transit information and rideshare options.

SAFETEA-LU mentions provisions for the 511 system to be implemented at the regional level as the urban metropolitan areas convert their existing traveler systems or establish enhanced 511 services.

Currently, the eight San Joaquin Valley MPOs are considering an offer by the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) to expand the SacRegion Travel Information 511-cell phone coverage throughout Central California. Another possible alternative might be to establish a San Joaquin Valley based 511 system or the possible development of 511 access systems by individual counties.

Using any of the above mentioned alternatives would activate the 511 number in the San Joaquin Valley area and add new menu option to provide traveler information for any agency or service provider in the Valley that chose to participate.

Additionally, activation of 511 service in the San Joaquin Valley would continue to allow easy access to the existing Caltrans CHIN 800-427-ROAD road information system wherein travelers can receive up to the minute road conditions on any of our state's highways.

## Freeway/Controlled Access Highway Agreements \*

| COUNTY<br>(Listed South to North) | POST-MILE<br>BACK | POST-MILE<br>AHEAD | AGREEMENT # AND<br>DESCRIPTION<br>(Listed South to North)                              | JURISDICTION  | DATE<br>APPROVED | EXISTING<br>AGREEMENTS |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--|---------------|------------------|------------------------|
| TULARE                            | 21.9              | 22.7               | (TUL-135-A)*<br>Between ¾ mile S of<br>Tulare-Kings Co Line to<br>Tulare-Kings Co Line | Tulare County | 10/23/1951       | FREEWAY<br>AGREEMENT   |
| KINGS                             | 0.00              | 2.80               | (KINGS-135-B)*<br>Tulare-Kings Co Line to<br>Niles Ave.                                | Kings County  | 10/23/1951       | FREEWAY<br>AGREEMENT   |
| KINGS                             | 2.80              | 10.40              | (KINGS 135-B)*<br>Niles Ave. to<br>Kansas Ave.   | Kings County  | 9/23/1952        | FREEWAY<br>AGREEMENT   |
| KINGS                             | 10.40             | 18.40              | (KINGS-135-A)*<br>Kansas Ave. to State<br>Legislative Route 10<br>(Now SR-198)         | Kings County  | 7/14/1953        | FREEWAY<br>AGREEMENT   |

\* Prior to July 1, 1964, State Route 43 was known within Tulare & Kings counties as State Legislative Route 135.

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| Segment #<br>PM<br>From / To   | Segment Details  |
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| 1-5<br>KERN<br>PM 0.10 - 15.74<br>Rte 119 (Beginning of Route) to<br>Santa Fe Way, U.B. of Shafter | No transit services are available within these segments.   |
| 6-10<br>KERN<br>PM 15.74 - R24.10<br>Santa Fe Way, U.B. of Shafter to W.<br>Jct Rte 46             | Within these segments the Kern Regional Transit system's "North Kern Express" provides inter-city services between Bakersfield and the cities of Shafter, Wasco, McFarland and Delano. Between Shafter and Wasco the North Kern Express uses Route 43 as its primary roadway.  |
| 11-12<br>KERN<br>PM R24.20 - 38.80<br>E. Jct Rte 46 to Tulare Co Line                              | No transit services are available within these segments.   |
| 13-14<br>TULARE<br>PM 0.00 - 22.70<br>Kern Co Line to Kings Co Line                                | No transit services are available within these segments.   |
| 15-19<br>KINGS<br>PM 0.00 - 22.30<br>Tulare Co Line to<br>Fresno Co Line                           | Transit services are available along Route 43 between Hanford and Corcoran, and between Hanford and Fresno, via the Kings Area Rural Transit (KART). Within the City of Hanford transit services are provided by KART, and within the City of Corcoran, services are provided by the Corcoran Area Transit (CAT). KART operates both fixed route and demand response services. CAT operates demand response services in the Corcoran area. |
| 20-21<br>FRESNO<br>PM 0.00 - 8.30<br>Kings Co Line to Rte 99/43<br>Sep (End of Route)              | The Kings Area Rural Transit (KART) operates a twice weekly medical transit service between Hanford and Fresno using Route 43. The Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA) operates its Selma Transit within the City of Selma. Selma Transit operates both fixed and demand response services within Selma. Only Selma Transit's demand response services traverse any portion of Route 43.  |

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| Segment #<br>PM<br>From / To   | Bicycle Facilities by Segment <sup>(1) (2)</sup>  |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">1-2<br/>KERN<br/>PM 0.10 - 8.11<br/>Rte 119 (Beginning of Route)<br/>to S Jct Rte 58</p>            | <p>These segments are <u>open to bicycle travel</u>. Level terrain. <i>No paved shoulder</i>. No direct alternate route currently exists for these two segments.<sup>(3) (4)</sup> At PM 2.60 the Kern River Bike Trail traverses this route and includes a large access parking lot.</p> <p><u>Designation</u>: Conventional state highway opened to bicycle travel. No portion of these segments are identified within the 2001 Kern County Regional Bike Plan as a Class 1, 2 or 3 bicycle facility.</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">3<br/>KERN<br/>PM 8.11 - 9.20<br/>S Jct Rte 58 to N Jct Rte 58</p>                                  | <p>This segment is <u>open to bicycle travel</u>. Level terrain. <i>Shoulder width approximately 2'</i>. No alternate route currently exists for this segment <sup>(3) (4)</sup></p> <p><u>Designation</u>: Conventional state highway opened to bicycle travel. No portion of this segment is identified within the 2001 Kern County Regional Bike Plan as a Class 1, 2 or 3 bike facility.</p>  |
| <p style="text-align: center;">4-6<br/>KERN<br/>PM 9.20 - 16.30<br/>N Jct Rte 58 to 0.1 mi S<br/>of Euclid Ave</p>                 | <p>These segments are <u>open to bicycle travel</u>. Level terrain. <i>Shoulder width approximately 4'</i>. No alternate route currently exists for these two segments.<sup>(3) (4)</sup></p> <p><u>Designation</u>: Conventional state highway opened to bicycle travel. Additionally, the portion from PM 15.25 to 16.30 <u>is identified</u> within the 2001 Kern County Regional Bike Plan as a "planned bike lane or path" - otherwise undesignated.</p>   |
| <p style="text-align: center;">7-10<br/>KERN<br/>PM 16.30 - R25.10<br/>0.1 mi S of Euclid Ave to W<br/>Jct Rte 46</p>              | <p>These segments are <u>open to bicycle travel</u>. Level terrain. <i>Shoulder width approximately 8'</i>. No alternate route currently exists for these four segments <sup>(3) (4)</sup></p> <p><u>Designation</u>: Conventional state highway opened to bicycle travel. Additionally, a portion of this route, from PM 16.30 to PM 17.22, <u>is identified</u> within the 2001 Kern County Regional Bike Plan as a "planned bike lane or path" - otherwise undesignated.</p>                             |
| <p style="text-align: center;">11<br/>KERN<br/>PM R25.20 - 26.30<br/>E Jct Rte 46 to McCombs<br/>Ave, North U.B. of Wasco</p>      | <p>This segment is <u>open to bicycle travel</u>. Level terrain. <i>Shoulder width approximately 5'</i>. No alternate route currently exists for this segment.<sup>(3) (4)</sup></p> <p><u>Designation</u>: Conventional state highway opened to bicycle travel. No portion of this segment is identified within the 2001 Kern County Regional Bike Plan as a Class 1, 2 or 3 bicycle facility.</p>   |
| <p style="text-align: center;">12<br/>KERN<br/>PM 26.30 - 38.80<br/>McCombs Ave, North U.B. of<br/>Wasco to Tulare County Line</p> | <p>This segment is <u>open to bicycle travel</u>. Level terrain. <i>Shoulder width from PM 26.30 - 29.85 @ 8' and from PM 29.85 - 38.80 @ 5'</i>. No alternate route is currently exists for this segment.<sup>(3) (4)</sup></p> <p><u>Designation</u>: Conventional state highway opened to bicycle travel. No portion of this segment is identified within the 2001 Kern County Regional Bike Plan as a Class 1, 2 or 3 bike facility.</p>  |



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| 13-14<br>TULARE<br>PM 0.00 - 22.67<br>Kern County Line to<br>Kings County Line            | These segments are <u>opened to bicycle travel</u> . Level terrain. <i>Shoulder width varies from 0'-2'</i> No alternate route is currently available for these two segments. <sup>(3) (4)</sup><br><br><u>Designation:</u> Conventional state highway opened to bicycle travel. Additionally, the Tulare County 2002 Countywide Bike Plan identifies both of these segments as "proposed Class 2 or 3 bikeways".  |
| 15-17<br>KINGS<br>PM 0.00 - 18.20<br>Tulare County Line to Rte<br>43/198 Sep              | These segments are <u>opened to bicycle travel</u> . Level terrain. <i>Shoulder width 8'</i> . No alternate route is currently available for these two segments. <sup>(3) (4)</sup><br><br><u>Designation:</u> Conventional state highway opened to bicycle travel. Additionally, the 2001 Kings County Regional Bike Plan identifies these three segments as a " <u>planned bikeway</u> ".  |
| 18<br>KINGS<br>PM 18.20 - 22.30<br>Rte 43/198 Sep<br>to 10 <sup>th</sup> Ave              | This segment are <u>opened to bicycle travel</u> . Level terrain. <i>Shoulder width 2'-3'</i> . Alternate route(s) are currently available for this segment. <sup>(3) (4)</sup><br><br><u>Designation:</u> Conventional state highway opened to bicycle travel. Additionally, the 2005 Kings County Regional Bike Plan identifies this state route as "...an integral part of the bicycle transportation network..."                                       |
| 19<br>KINGS<br>PM 22.30 - 27.30<br>10 <sup>th</sup> Ave to Fresno<br>County Line          | This segment are <u>opened to bicycle travel</u> . Level terrain. <i>Shoulder width 8'</i> . No alternate route currently exists for this segment. <sup>(3) (4)</sup><br><br><u>Designation:</u> Conventional state highway opened to bicycle travel. Additionally, the 2005 Kings County Regional Bike Plan identifies this state route as "...an integral part of the bicycle transportation network..."   |
| 20-21<br>FRESNO<br>PM 0.00 - 9.30<br>Kings County Line to Rte 43/99<br>Sep (End of Route) | These segments are <u>opened to bicycle travel</u> . Level terrain. <i>Shoulder width 6'</i> . No alternate route currently exists for these segments. <sup>(3) (4)</sup><br><br><u>Designation:</u> Conventional state highway opened to bicycle travel.<br>The 2001 Fresno County General Plan's "Transportation and Circulation Element" lists these segments of Route 43 as a "planned bikeway" for its entire nine mile length through Fresno County. |

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"... State and federal laws require Caltrans to promote and facilitate increased use of non-motorized transportation. The purpose of this chapter is to outline pertinent statutory requirements, planning policies, and implementing procedures regarding non-motorized transportation facilities."

<sup>(3)</sup> **Streets and Highway Code - Section 888** - "The department shall not construct a state highway as a freeway that will result in the severance or destruction of an existing major route for non-motorized transportation traffic and light motorcycles, unless it provides a reasonable, safe, and convenient alternate route, or such a route already exists."

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| Segment (s)<br>PM<br>From / To   | Pedestrian Facilities by Segment <sup>(1)(2) (3)(4)</sup>  |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">1-21<br/>Kern, Tulare, Kings<br/>&amp; Fresno County<br/>All Segments</p> | <p>Pedestrian and ADA concerns on Route 43, such as the installation of crosswalks, sidewalks, ramps, curb cuts, hand railings and pedestrian activated signal heads etc., will primarily be found near this route's populated areas.</p> <p>Those areas are: <u>Kern County</u> - from approximately PM 8.11 to approximately PM 9.16 (the area between the SR-58 south and north junctions); from PM 12.20 to 12.80 (an unnamed and unincorporated semi-urban residential area); from PM 15.75 [Santa Fe Way] to PM 18.15 [Mayer Ln.](i.e City of Shafter) and from PM 23.10 [Jackson Ave.] to PM 25.18 [SR-46 Jct](i.e City of Wasco). <u>Tulare County</u> - no current populated areas exist along this route. <u>Kings County</u> - from approximately PM 20.95 [Fargo Ave] to PM 22.43 [Flint Ave] (eastern boundary City of Hanford). <u>Fresno County</u> - from PM 8.15 [Nebraska Ave] to PM 9.35 [Jct SR-99/end of route](i.e. City of Selma).</p> <p>Additional areas of ADA and pedestrian concern may arise between Kings PM 0.00 [County Line] and Kings PM 3.00 [Santa Fe Ave] (i.e. City of Corcoran) and between Kings PM 18.20 [Jct SR-198] and Kings PM 22.43 [Flint Ave](i.e. eastern boundary City of Hanford) should urban development within these two cities progress in the direction of this route.</p> <p>The remainder of this route is very rural with few, if any, pedestrian or ADA concerns to be addressed at this time.</p> |

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